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MEDIAN IMPROVEMENT PROJECT BEGINS ON EUCLID AVENUE

Ontario – The Department of Transportation, Caltrans, is announcing that the first of two safety improvement projects to permanently close the center medians at California Street and Carlton Street on State Route 83 (Euclid Avenue) in Ontario will begin on Monday, August 14, 2006.

The \$120,000 project to close the median at California Street will be completed by the contractor, Dreambuilder, and will be finished in approximately 2 weeks. To expedite the project and to insure the safety of motorists and workers, the north bound and south bound number one lane will be closed Monday through Friday from 7:00 AM to 5:00 PM for the duration of the project.

The city of Ontario has seen significant growth over the years. Increased traffic patterns have accompanied this growth trend. This improvement project will help to provide the community with a safer and more streamlined commute on this heavily traveled route. This permanent safety improvement will require motorists to utilize either Mission Boulevard to the south or Nevada Street to the north to cross State Route 83. Once completed, the new median will be comprised of concrete curbing and landscaping that will blend with the existing landscape that reflects the community's character.

Closure signs will be posted to advise motorists of the lane closures. Caltrans encourages motorists to merge early and use caution while driving through the construction area. For updates on Riverside and San Bernardino county state highway work, please go to our website at www.dot.ca.gov/dist8 and click on "Press Releases" or call (909) 383-4631 for information.

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